

Request for Ballot Title Preparation or Publication of Notice

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Referral Information	
Title, Number or other Identifier Amends charter: annual jail inspections by commissioners with volunteers, reporting	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Drafting of Ballot Title Attach referral text.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Publication of Notice Ballot title below.
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Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure. See attached.	
Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure. See attached.	
Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect. See attached.	
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Jail Inspections Charter Amendment Ballot Title & Explanatory Statement

Caption (10/10): Amends charter: annual jail inspections by commissioners with volunteers, reporting

Question (20/20): Should charter require county commissioners, with selected volunteers, inspect county jails annually, with interviews, record review, unannounced access, public reports?

Summary (175/175): State law requires the board of county commissioners to visit county operated local correctional facilities at least once each regular term to fully examine the facilities, including health and discipline of people in custody and cleanliness.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would require county commissioners to conduct at least one additional inspection of county jails and correctional institutions administered by the sheriff per calendar year to ensure transparency and oversight. Commissioners would use application process to select at least one volunteer member of the public to participate in inspections, with preference for individuals who live in, work in, or have demonstrated connections to county. Volunteers would be independent of county auditor and facilities inspected and provided reasonable stipends and administrative support.

Subject to reasonable measures to ensure safety and security, the sheriff would provide access for the county commissioner and volunteer to any part of inspected facilities any time without prior notice; for confidential interviews with consenting individuals; to records related to facilities. Volunteers would issue public reports with findings, recommendations.

Explanatory Statement (294/500): State law (ORS 169.040) provides that the board of county commissioners is the inspector of local correctional facilities in the county. For purposes of state law, Multnomah County currently has two local correctional facilities: Multnomah County Inverness Jail (Inverness) and Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC). State law requires the board to visit local correctional facilities operated by the county at least once in each regular term to examine the facilities fully, including the health and discipline of the persons confined and the cleanliness of the facilities. As a result, the board visits Inverness and MCDC at least once a year.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would require county commissioners to make at least one additional visit per calendar year to county jails and correctional institutions administered by the sheriff under section 6.50 of the Charter (Sheriff) to ensure transparency and oversight.

County commissioners would be required to select at least one volunteer member of the public to participate in inspections. Volunteers would be selected using an application process, with preference given to those who live or work in the county or have a

demonstrated connection to the county. Volunteers would be required to be independent of the county auditor and the facility or facilities being inspected. The county would provide volunteers with reasonable stipends and administrative support.

To facilitate inspections, and subject to reasonable measures to ensure safety and security, the sheriff would be required to provide access for the county commissioner and volunteer to any part of a county jail or correctional institution being inspected at any time without prior notice; for confidential interviews with consenting individuals, including adults in custody; and to records related to the facility being inspected. Volunteers would issue public reports with findings and recommendations.

EXHIBIT D

Jail Inspections Charter Amendment Text

(Language stricken is deleted; underlined language is new.)

CHAPTER III. GOVERNING BODY

- 3.10. Membership.
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- 3.80. Inspections of County Jails and Correctional Institutions.

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3.80. Inspections of County Jails and Correctional Institutions.

(1) To ensure transparency and oversight, and as described in this section, the county shall conduct inspections of county jails and correctional institutions administered under section 6.50.

(2) In addition to inspections required by state law, each board member shall conduct at least one inspection of county jails and correctional institutions under this section per calendar year.

(3) At least one volunteer member of the public shall be selected to participate with each board member in inspections required under this section.

(a) Board members shall use an application process to select volunteers, with preference given to individuals who live or work in the county or have a demonstrated connection to the county.

(b) Volunteers must be independent of the county auditor and the county jail or correctional institution being inspected.

(c) The county shall provide administrative support and reasonable stipends to volunteers.

(4) To facilitate inspections under this section, and subject to reasonable measures to ensure safety and security in accordance with section 6.50, the sheriff shall provide access:

(a) To any part of the county jail or correctional institution being inspected at any time without prior notice;

(b) For confidential interviews with individuals who have consented to be interviewed, including adults in custody; and

(c) To review records related to the county jail or correctional institution being inspected.

(5) Volunteers will issue publicly available reports with findings and recommendations.